

**PORT OF CHESTER  
PORT OF ETWALL, DERBYS  
PORT OF ILAM, STAFFS**

ARMS:\*Azure a fesse engrailed argent between three doves proper in the beak of each a cross-crosslet fitchy or

Azure a fesse engrailed or between three doves or in the beak of each a cross-crosslet fitchy .....  
(\*1680) [PLOT]

CREST: A dove proper in the beak a cross-crosslet fitchy or

**Henry Port of Chester merchant c1414-....**

chn: Henry Port b c1444 below

[?] Richard Port b c1476 further below [? OR below]

**Henry Port of Chester mercer c1444-1512**

m Elizabeth (? Ann) Barrow dau and coheir of Roger OR Thomas Barrow of Flookersbrook, Cheshire  
[? m dau of "Banowayte of Flouresboork" misreading of above ??]

d 7 Jul 1512; i Etwall; M.I. [below]

(Mayor, Chester) 1486

chn: John Port b c1474; (aged 21+) 1495 below

[?] Richard Port b c1476 further below [? OR above]

*Orate pro animabus Henrici Porte et Elizebeth uxoris ejus quiquidem Henricus obiit in festo translationis Sci Thomae marturis anno dni MVcduoecimo quorum aabus ppietur Deus. [COX III 166]*

*NOTE: John below is elsewhere called son of Richard [DRS XXXI Will 128]*

**Sir John Port of Etwall, Derbys Knight c1474-1540**

m1 a1495 Joane Fitzherbert dau of John Fitzherbert of Etwall, Derbys

c1431-1502 **[SLG]**; m1 John Pole of Radbourne, Derbys c1446-p1482 **[SLG]**

m2 Margery Trafford dau of Sir Edmund Trafford of Trafford, Lancs Knight; (? but had

no chn); m1 1492 Nicholas Longford of Longford, Derbys c1478-.... **[SLG]**; m2 Sir

Thomas Gerard of Bryn, Lancs Knight c1482-1523 **[SLG]**; d 1540; i Etwall [will];

Will (PCC) 30 Apr 1540/5 Jun 1540 [abstract below]

d Mar 1540; i Etwall; M.I.; Will (PCC) 6 Mar 1539.40/22 Mar 1539.40 [abstract below]

(by grant from the Crown, lord of Etwall+A, Derbys); (of Chester)

(bought land in Etwall etc. from John Fitzherbert) 1495 [IPM, John Fitzherbert]

(at Inner Temple); (attorney to the Earldom of Chester) 1504; (Reader) 1507 1515; (Solicitor

General) 31 May 1509-1521; (Treasurer, Inner Temple) 1515; (Governor, Inner Temple) 1520;

(Serjeant-at-law) 1522; (knighted) 1525; (a Justice of the King's Bench) 1525; (foundation

benefactor to Brasenose College, Oxford) [DNB] [FOSS]

chn: John Port b c1490 below

[?] Barbara Port m John Francis

[?] Eleanor Port m ..... Bonyng

*wife Dame Margerye ... Elizabeth P. (daughter to son John) ... daughters Barbara Fraunces and Elyne Bonyng ... Jane Fynderne and Jane Fraunces each to their marriage ... John Frauncis and Wiliam Fraunces ... Jane Carleton ... son John Port (executor) ... brother Thomas Gifford esq (executor) ... son John Fraunces esq (executor) [DRS XXVI Will 44]*

*son sir Rauff Longford (executor) ... son Thomas Gerred Esq (executor) ... brother William Trafford (overseer) ... dau Margaret Legh ... son Peter G. ... son William G. ... son Henry G. ... son James ... dau Leigh ... goddau Margaret Langforth [DRS XXVI Will 45]*

**Sir John Port of Etwall, Derbys Knight c1490-1557**

m Elizabeth Giffard dau of Sir Thomas Giffard of Chillington, Staffs Knight

1491-1560 **[SLG]** and Dorothy (Montgomery dau and coheir of Sir John Montgomery of Cubley, Derbys Knight c1460-c1493 **[SLG]**); b c1515; (heir of her mother);

d 28 Jan 1543.4 [CP VI 656]; i Etwall; M.I. [below]

m2 p1544 Dorothy Fitzherbert 3rd dau of Sir Anthony Fitzherbert of Norbury, Derbys

Knight 1470-1538 **[SLG]**; m1 Sir Ralph Longford of Longford, Derbys Knight

c1495-1544 **[SLG]**; i Etwall; M.I. [below]

d 6 Jun 1557 [but see note in CP VI 656]; i Etwall; M.I. [below]; Will (PCC) 9 Mar

1556.7/26 Jun 1557 [abstract below]

(as son and heir, lord of Etwall+A, Derbys)

(by right of his wife, lord of Cubley+A, Derbys)

(by grant from the crown, lord of Dalbury+A, Derbys)

(by purchase from Francis Pole (of Radbourne, Derbys) gentleman c1512-a1553 [SLG], lord of Dale, Derbys)  
(foundation scholar, Brasenose, Oxford); (adm. Inner Temple) 1527-8; (knighted at the Coronation of Edward VI); (M.P., Derbys) 1553; (Sheriff, Derbys) 1554; (founded Etwall hospital); (founded Repton School) [DNB]  
chn: Walter Port d *in infancy*  
Thomas Port d *in infancy*  
Elizabeth Port [coheir] b c1531; m a1558 Sir Thomas Gerard of Bryn, Lancs Knight c1536-1601 **[SLG]**  
Dorothy Port [coheir] b c1532; (aged 16) 1558; m Jul 1557 Etwall: George Hastings 4th Earl of Huntingdon ....-1605 **[SLG]**  
Margaret Port [coheir] b 14 Oct 1542 [IGI]; m Sir Thomas Stanhope of Elvaston, Derbys Knight c1537-1596 **[SLG]**

*Under thys tombe lyeth buryed the Boodye of Syr John Porte Knyght sonne & heyre unto Syr John Porte ... Elsebeth & dorothe wyves ... [he] dyed the syxt day of June Ano dni 1557 [COX III 167]*

*... Sir Thomas Gyfford (father-in-law) (executor)... nephew Richard Harpour Esq ... late wife Elizabeth P. ... souls of children Walter and Thomas P. ... godson John Fraunves ... nephew Thomas Fyndren ... cousin Richard Harpour (executor) and John H. my godson ... nice Jane H. ... cousin Sir Richard Porte priest ... cousin Fraunces Curson of Kedelston Esq ... cousin Richard Pole ... wife Dame Dorothy P. ... cousin John Porte of Ilam ... cousins Hugh Brotherton and sir Henry Brotherton clerk ... daus Elizabeth, Dorathe and Margaret ... Sir Thomas Fitzherbert, Fraunces Curson of Keldeston, William Fitzherbert (bro-in-law) (three overseers) ... godson John Fraunces of Fornearke [? Formark] [DRS XXVI Will 65] WILL NOT INDEXED*

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### **Richard Port c1476-....**

b c1476 *son of Henry Port of Chester c1414 OR c1444-.... [SLG]*

chn: John Port [below](#)

### **John Port of Ilam, Staffs c1505-1583**

m Elizabeth Meverell dau of George Meverell of Throwley in Ilam, Staffs c1485-1527 **[SLG]**; b c1507; [? m1 Richard Wase of Leics c1496-....

[VIS.LEICS.1619 200]]

d 15 Apr 1583 [ERDESWICK (1844) 483]

chn: John Port [below](#)

### **John Port of Ilam, Staffs "gentleman" c1535-....**

m Jane Fitzherbert dau of Robert Fitzherbert of Tissington, Derbys c1509-1595 **[SLG]**

(summoned but disclaimed at the Visitation) 8 Aug \*1583

chn: Robert Port b c1567 [below](#)

John Port

Francis Port m Isabel ....; (and had chn: Francis, Bartholomew)

Jane Port m1 18 Nov 1590 Ellastone: William Cotton; m2 Ralph Eyre

Ann Port

Elizabeth Port

### **Robert Port of Ilam, Staffs gentleman c1567-1648**

m Ann Salt dau of [? Robert] Salt of Yoxall, Staffs [c1530-.... **[SLG]**]

d May 1648 [VIS]

(named in the Visitation) \*Aug 1614

(as Esquire, not present at coronation of Charles I and later fined £ for knighthood) 2 Feb 1625.6

chn: John Port [1] b c1592; (aged 22) 1614 [below](#)

Philip Port [2] [? Will (PCC) 23 Feb 1657]

George Port [3]

Henry Port [4]

Ralph Port [5]

Prudence Port [1] unnm.

Dorothy Port [2] m Thomas Draper of Culland, Derbys gentleman c1596-1646

[VIS.DERBYS.1662]; (and had chn: Ann m Simon Jasson of Edial in Lichfield,

Staffs c1633-?1667 **[SLG]**)

Alice OR Ann Port [3] m Thomas Jodrell of Moorehouse in Leek, Staffs

c1593-?1667 **[SLG]**

Jane Port [4] m Edward Ipsley of Middle Mayfield in Mayfield, Staffs

c1599-.... **[SLG]**

### **John Port of Ilam, Staffs gentleman c1592-1652**

m Constance Hurt dau of Roger Hurt of Castern in Ilam, Staffs esquire c1591-1665 **[SLG]**; m2

c1662 Ralph Okeover of Ilam, Staffs 1632-c1672 **[SLG]**

d Feb 1651.2 [VIS]; Will (PCC) 19 May 1652

(aged 22) 1614; (Captain of ?Inst.)  
chn: John Port b c1652; (aged 11) 2 Apr 1663 [below](#)

*Okeover, Ilam & Castern Constablewick 1666 HT "The Upper Hall" 7 hearths [a note in the printed version SHC 1925 209 reads "John Port the owner had died and his widow had remarried Ralph Okeover, she was sister of Nich. Hurt*

### **John Port of Ilam, Staffs esquire c1652-1719**

m 7 Feb 1683.4 Tissington: Mary Fitzherbert dau of William Fitzherbert of Tissington, Derbys 1624-1697 **[SLG]**; d 23 May 1685 Ilam  
i as *Esquire* 15 Sep 1719 Ilam  
(his grandfather Roger Hurt of Castern in Ilam, Staffs esquire c1591-a1666 presented at Ilam) 1661 (aged 11) 2 Apr 1663  
(his stepfather Ralph Okeover of Ilam, Staffs 1632-c1672 **[SLG]** presented at Ilam) 1669 (aged c26 OR 27, resident at Angiers, France) 1680  
(as Esquire, a Staffordshire Land Tax Commissioner had an annual income from land of £100 or more) \*1702  
(presented at Blore Ray) 1709  
(presented at Ilam) 1709  
chn: Catherine Port [heir] c 16 Apr 1685 Tissington [below](#)

### **Catherine Port of Ilam, Staffs 1685-a1725**

c 16 Apr 1685 Tissington  
Will (PCC) 1722/4 May 1725  
(devised Ilam to her kinsman Rowe Newell)

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George Newell of Ilam and Windlehill c1670-1741  
m Prudence -----; d 1747; M.I. (Ilam)  
d 1741; M.I. (Ilam)  
chn: Rowe Newell c 5 Jun 1700 Lichfield St Mary [below](#)  
George Newell c 21 Nov 1705 Lichfield St Mary [below](#)  
Frances Newell c 28 Jul 1707 Lichfield St Mary [below](#)  
[?] Prudence Newell d 1739

### **Rowe Newell LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs 1700-1749**

c 5 Jun 1700 Lichfield St Mary  
m Ann Bowyer 3rd dau and coheir of Sir William Bowyer of Knypersley in Biddulph, Staffs 4th Baronet 1654-1702 **[SLG]**; (but had no chn); c 15 Dec 1687 -----;  
m1 11 Jul 1706 -----: Sir Thomas Bellot of Moreton, Cheshire 3rd Baronet p1678-1709 [SLG]; d 26 Jul 1754; i Biddulph  
d 1749; M.I. (Ilam)  
(admitted scholar at Trinity Hall, Cambridge) 5 Jan 1719.20 [VENN]  
(matriculated) 1718.9  
(LL.B.) 1723  
(admitted at Lincoln's Inn) 24 Oct 1724  
(was devised Ilam by Catherine Port 1685-a1725)  
(assumed the name and arms of Port by Royal Licence) 1747

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### **George Newell LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire 1705-1769**

c 21 Nov 1705 Lichfield St Mary  
d 1769; M.I. (Ilam); Will of *Ilam* (PCC) 6 Nov 1764 & 17 May 1769/29 Mar 1770 *lands at Ilam, Blore and Croxden, Staffs and Balidon, Derbys to ....*  
(presented at Ilam) 1752  
(succeeded by his nephew John Sparrow LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire c1730-1807)

Will (PCC) 6 Nov 1764 to 17 May 1769/29 Mar 1770 leaves the majority of his lands at Ilam, Blore and Croxden, County Staffs, and Baildon, County Derby, to trustees for the use of his nephew and godson John Sparrow, second son of Burslem Sparrow late of Wolverhampton, gent, by Frances his late wife. Contingent remainders to George Sparrow eldest son of Burslem and Frances, and to "my neice" Anna Catherina Sparrow. The condition is that the inheritor shall assume the name and arms of Port.

'The Wolverhampton Antiquary, page 312, has an article about lost gravestones which were in Wolverhampton Collegiate Church before rebuilding. From this article further details can be supplied as follows: Frances Sparrow, wife of Burslem was the daughter of George Newell Esq., Chancellor of the (gap), Lincoln, and sister to George Porte of (gap), in County Stafford. She died 25th September, 1760, aged 53. Frances Sparrow, daughter of Burslem and Frances, baptised 8th October, 1733, died 3rd December, 1745, aged 12. George Sparrow, gent., died November 15th, 1741, aged 72.

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**Frances Newell 1707**

c 28 Jul 1707 Lichfield St Mary

m Burslem Sparrow of Wolverhampton, Staffs ironmaster 1703-....

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George Sparrow of Wolverhampton, Staffs gentleman c1669-1741

m Ann -----

d *aged* 72 15 Nov 1741; i 15 Nov 1741 Wolverhampton St Peter; M.I. [below]

chn: Burslem Sparrow c 16 Mar 1702.3 Wolstanton below

**Burslem Sparrow of Wolverhampton, Staffs ironmaster 1703-1769**

c 16 Mar 1702.3 Wolstanton *son of George Sparrow of Wolverhampton, Staffs gentleman c1669-1741 and Ann (.....)*

m Frances Newell dau of George Newell (Chancellor of Lincoln) c1654-1741; (sister of George Newell LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire 1705-1769); c 28 Jul 1707 Lichfield St Mary; d *aged* 53 25 Sep 1760; i 30 Sep 1760 Wolverhampton St Peter; M.I. [below]

i 21 Sep 1769 Wolverhampton St Peter

(as son of George Sparrow of Wolstanton, aged 18, matriculated from Christ Church, Oxford) 23 Feb 1721.2; (later of Sedgley) [SIMMS] [? IS THIS THE FATHER]

chn: George Sparrow [1] b c1728 below

John Sparrow [2] c 25 Feb 1738 Wolverhampton St Peter below

Frances Sparrow c 8 Oct 1733 Wolverhampton St Peter; d *aged* 12 3 Dec 1745;

i 6 Dec 1745 Wolverhampton St Peter; M.I. [below]

Hannah Catharina Sparrow c 5 Nov 1741 Wolverhampton St Peter

*Burslem Sparrow had received the gloss of a classical education and lived for a time at Sedgley Park but he was the son of a buccaneering yeoman ...*

**George Sparrow (Vicar of Ilam, Staffs) c1728-1769**

b c1728 *1st son of Burslem Sparrow of Wolverhampton, Staffs ironmaster 1703-1769 and Frances Newell dau of George Newell (Chancellor of Lincoln) c1654-1741*

d (a10 May) 1769; M.I. (Ilam)

(aged 17, matriculated from Oriel, Oxford) 17 Oct 1745 [FOSTER]

(B.A.) 1749 [SIMMS]

(ordained deacon by Lichfield, to title of Wolverhampton) 22 Sep 1751

**(?Stipendiary Curate, Wolverhampton, Staffs)**

(ordained priest by Lichfield) 24 May 1752

**(Vicar, Ilam, Staffs)** 25 May 1752-d

- (presented by his uncle George Newell LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire 1705-1769 **[SLG]**)

- (instituted) 25 May 1752

**(Rector, Grindon, Staffs)** 18 Sep 1755-d

- (presented by Granville Leveson-Gower [1st Marquess of Stafford] 1721-1803 **[SLG]**)

- (instituted) 18 Sep 1755

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**John Sparrow LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire c1730-1807**

b c1730 ***2nd** son of Burslem Sparrow of Wolverhampton, Staffs ironmaster 1703-.... and Frances (Newell)*

m 4 Dec 1770 Upton-cum-Chalvey, Bucks: Mary Dewes dau of John Dewes of Gloucester

Esquire c1695-.... and Ann Granville dau of Bernard Granville of Buckland, Glos

Esquire c1669-1723; c 20 Feb 1745 Gloucester St Peter; d 1814; M.I. (Ilam)

d 1807; M.I. (Ilam)

(succeeded his uncle George Newell LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire 1705-1769)

(assumed the name and arms of Port by Royal Licence) 1761 [? recte 1769]

chn: Georgina Mary Ann Port c 17 Sep 1771 Ilam; m Benjamin Waddington 1749-1828

John Port c 16 Mar 1773 Ilam below

George Rowe Port c 19 Aug 1774 Ilam

Bernard Port c 17 Mar 1776 Ilam below

Louisa Port c 8 May 1778 Ilam

Bevil Port c 22 Feb 1780 Ilam

Harriet Port c 18 Jul 1781 Ilam

Frances Port c 3 Jul 1783 Ilam

**John Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire 1773-1837**

c 16 Mar 1773 Ilam

d 1837; M.I. (Ilam)

(aged 17, matriculated from Brasenose, Oxford) 11 Mar 1791

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**[ Bernard Port (Vicar of Ilam, Staffs) 1776-1854**

**1801-1854**

c 17 Mar 1776 Ilam son of John Sparrow LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs c1730-1807 and Mary Dewes dau of John Dewes of Gloucester Esquire c1695-....; d 30 Jan 1854;

M.I. (Ilam)

(aged 17, matriculated from Brasenose, Oxford) 23 Jan 1794 [FOSTER]

(B.A.) 1797

(M.A.) 1800

(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 31 May 1801

**(Stipendiary Curate, Ilam, Staffs)**

- (licenced) 31 May 1801

(ordained priest by Lichfield) 8 Sep 1801

**(Vicar, Ilam, Staffs) 7 Sep 1801-d**

- (presented by John Sparrow LATER Port of Ilam, Staffs Esquire c1726-1807 **[SLG]**)

- (instituted) 7 Sep 1801 & 23 Sep 1814

- (re-presented by Jesse Russell [LATER Jesse Watts Russell] of Ilam, Staffs Esquire 1786-1875 **[SLG]**)

- (re-instituted) 23 Sep 1814

(Stipendiary Curate, Spondon, Derbys)

- (licenced) 27 Feb 1804

(Rector, Honiley, Warwicks)

- (presented by his uncle John Dewes LATER Granville of Wellesbourne Hastings, Warwicks Esquire (Vicar of Ilam, Staffs) 1744-1826 **[SCD]**)

- (instituted) 21 Jan 1814

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[? IRRELEVANT]

John Port of Cossington, Leics

m Rebecca .....

chn: John Port c 10 Sep 1727 Cossington; d 29 Dec 1727

John Port of Cossington, Leics

m 11 Dec 1741 Leicester St Michael: Martha Rawlinson

chn: Roe Port c 20 Mar 1742 Cossington, Leics

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\*1583 (GIFFARD); \*1614/64; \*1664/1700; COX III 161-8; HARL MS 6128

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